

THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - BUREAU COUNTY

Plaintiff,

Case No. _____

vs.

Defendant.

APPLICATION TO SUE OR DEFEND AS A POOR PERSON

Applicant, _____ respectfully requests the court to grant him/her leave to - sue
_____ defend as a poor person and in support thereof states, under oath, the following facts, are true:

I am the ____ plaintiff - defendant in the above captioned legal proceedings.

I believe, in good faith, I have a meritorious claim/defense.

I am a poor person as defined by 735 ILCS 515-105 and unable to ____ prosecute ____
defend this action and am unable to pay the costs, fees and charges herein because:

1 - I am receiving assistance under one or more of the following public benefits programs:

____ Supplemental Security Income (SSD), ____ Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled (AABD),
____ Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), - Food Stamps, ____ General Assistance,
____ State Transitional Assistance, or ____ State Children and Family Assistance, or

2. - My family unit contains -people (including myself) and the total available income of the
family is 125% or less of the current poverty level as established by the United States
Department of Health and Human Services, or

3. ____ I am being represented by legal aid or other civil legal services provider as defined in
735 ILCS 515-105.5, or

4. ____ I am unable to proceed in this action without payment of fees, costs and charges and the
payment of said fees, costs, and charges would result in substantial hardship to me and /
or my family.

EMPLOYMENT

5. ____ I am not employed.

____ I am employed by _____ and my take-home pay is _____ - weekly ____ bi-weekly ____ monthly.

____ My spouse is living with me and is not employed.

____ My spouse is living with me, is employed by _____ and has take-home pay
of _____ - weekly _ bi-weekly ____ monthly (including all wages, tips and overtime).

CHILD SUPPORT

6. I am - receiving _paying child support in the sum of _____ weekly ____ bi-weekly ____
monthly. Child support -,is not in arrears ____ is in arrears in the sum of _____

DEBTS

7. ____ I owe the following debts:

Monthly Payment

TO: _____	in the sum of \$ _____	_____
_____	in the sum of \$ _____	_____
TOTAL	\$ _____	_____

LIVING EXPENSES

8. My MONTHLY living expenses (~~excluding~~ including payments of debts and child support) for me and my family are
\$ _____

ASSETS

9. I own the following:

___ House _____ (Address) _____ (Value)
___ Car / Truck -Motorcycle _____ (Year/Type) _____ (Value)
___ Recreationai Vehicle _____ (Year/Type) _____ (Value)
___ I have _____ in a savings account. I have _____ in a checking account.
___ I have other income in the sum of _____ from _____ (source of income)

The following things affect my ability to pay costs (disabilities, health problems, etc.)-

AFFIDAVIT

Applicant, after being duly sworn and upon penalty of perjury, hereby certifies that the statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

Applicant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this _____ day of _____ 20____

Circuit Court Clerk / Notary

ORDER

Application set for hearing on _____ **Courtroom** _____ **Clerk to give notice to Applicant.**
(Date / Time)

Judge

Date Entered

APPLICATION APPROVED

___ Application approved on _____ (date). Clerk to give notice to Applicant.
___ Application to pay fees, costs, and charges out of any judgment or settlement received.

Judge

Date Entered

APPLICATION DENIED

— Application denied on _____ (date). Clerk to give notice to Applicant.
Specific reason _____

— Payment of costs, fees and charges in the sum of _____ deferred until _____ (date).
If not paid by said date, cause dismissed.

- For good cause shown, Applicant to make installment on said costs in the sum of _____
____ weekly- bi-weekly _monthly commencing on _____ and like amount each
____ weekly_ bi-weekly_ month until total costs, fees, and charges in the sum of
_____ are paid in full.

Judge

Date Entered